

The November Organ Recital Series

Since 1965, over 160 artists representing the finest talent from the United States and Europe have performed for the November Organ Recital Series at IPC. This year will be the sixth series played on the new Schreiber Memorial Organ, built by the Dobson Pipe Organ Company and dedicated in May of 2012. All programs begin at 4:00 p.m. and are offered as a gift to the community. This series is partially funded by an endowment given through the generosity of the late Mrs. Myrtle Jones Steele to the greater glory of God and in loving memory of her husband, Mr. William Calvin Steele, and her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Wallace Jones. Additional donations are gladly accepted to ensure the continuation of this Series and may be made payable to the IPC Foundation and sent to the church at 3100 Highland Avenue, Birmingham, 35205.

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Upcoming Events at IPC

November 14, 7:30 p.m.

Concertmaster and Friends Concert

*Baroque Explorations: Music for Trumpets,
Timpani, Violin, & Organ*

Dr. Jeff McLelland, Organist

*For tickets, contact the Alabama Symphony at
www.alabamasymphony.org*

November 26, 8:45 a.m. & 11:00 a.m.

Christ the King Hymn Festival

December 17, 7:00 p.m.

IPC Choir Christmas Concert

December 24, 4:00 p.m. & 6:00 p.m.

Service of Nine Lessons and Carols
IPC and Westminster Choirs

Additional information at www.ipc-usa.org.

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2017 Schedule

November 5, 4:00 p.m.

THOMAS MURRAY

Yale University, New Haven, Connecticut

November 12, 4:00 p.m.

DEXTER KENNEDY

College of Wooster, Wooster, Ohio

November 19, 4:00 p.m.

JENS KORNDÖRFER

First Presbyterian Church, Atlanta, Georgia

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JONATHAN RYAN

St. Michael & All Angels Episcopal Church

Dallas, Texas



November 5
THOMAS MURRAY
Yale University
New Haven, Connecticut
www.concertorganists.com/artists/Thomas-Murray/

Thomas Murray, concert organist and recording artist, has been a member of the faculty of Yale University since 1981 and was appointed University Organist in 1990. He teaches the organ literature seminar and gives instruction to graduate organ majors. Widely known for his interpretations of Romantic repertoire and orchestral transcriptions, his recordings are highly acclaimed. Murray studied with Clarence Mader at Occidental College. His performing career has taken him to all parts of Europe and to Japan, Australia, and Argentina. He has appeared as a soloist with the Pittsburgh, Houston, Milwaukee, and New Haven symphony orchestras, the National Chamber Orchestra in Washington, D.C., and the Moscow Chamber Orchestra during its tour of Finland in 1996. The American Guild of Organists named him International Performer of the Year in 1986. The Royal College of Organists in England awarded him an FRCO diploma honoris causa in 2003, and in 2007 the Yale School of Music awarded him the Gustave Stoeckel Award for excellence in teaching. He is Principal Organist and Artist in Residence at Christ Church, Episcopal, in New Haven, one of the notable Anglo-Catholic churches of North America.



November 12
DEXTER KENNEDY
College of Wooster
Wooster, Ohio
www.dexterkennedy.com

Dexter Kennedy currently serves on the music faculty of the College of Wooster as Instructor of Organ and Harpsichord. Kennedy is an active recitalist throughout both North America and Europe, having performed in great cathedrals, churches, and concert halls. He is the winner of the Grand Prix d'Interprétation at the 24th Concours International d'Orgue de Chartres, and has performed at the St. Albans International Organ Festival, the 51st Bratislava Music Festival, the Bergen International Organ Festival, the Conference of Roman Catholic Cathedral Musicians, the Bach en Bogotá Festival, and two regional conventions of the American Guild of Organists. Kennedy's 2017-2018 season will see him perform at Notre-Dame de Paris, the Eccles Organ Festival (Salt Lake City), the Arizona Bach Festival, and recitals for American Guild of Organists chapters. Dexter Kennedy holds the Artist Diploma from the Oberlin Conservatory of Music, where he was a pupil of James David Christie, and a Master of Music Degree from the Yale School of Music and Institute of Sacred Music. Other teachers include Martin Jean, Olivier Latry, and Jeffrey Brillhart.



November 19
JENS KORNDÖRFER
First Presbyterian Church
Atlanta, Georgia
www.jenskorndoerfer.com

Jens Korndörfer, German-born concert organist, is a triple prize winner of the Canadian International Organ Competition, held in Montréal in 2008 and 2011. He spent the last fourteen years working and studying in France, Japan, the USA and Canada, and has performed at many prestigious venues around the world. Dr. Korndörfer is currently based in Atlanta, Georgia, where he serves as Director of Music and Organist at First Presbyterian Church, and instructor for organ at Agnes Scott College. He graduated with top-honors from the Conservatoire National Supérieur de Musique in Paris (Diploma in Organ-Interpretation), the Oberlin Conservatory (Artist Diploma), the Musikhochschule in Bayreuth (Church Music Diploma) and McGill University in Montreal (Doctor of Music). Aside from his busy concert schedule on three continents, Dr. Korndörfer has taught in various settings (organ studio at the School of Fine Arts of FPC Atlanta, master classes in Japan, France and Germany, teaching assistant of Professor Christie at the Oberlin Conservatory) and shared his knowledge and experience in presentations at conferences in Germany, the USA (AGO National Convention 2012), and Asia (Hong Kong Cultural Centre).



November 26
JONATHAN RYAN
St. Michael & All Angels
Episcopal Church
Dallas, Texas
www.johnathan-ryan.com

Johnathan Ryan has the rare distinction of holding six First Prize awards at major international and national organ competitions. He most notably entered the international spotlight when awarded both First Prize and the only auxiliary prize, the LeTourneau Concerto Prize, in the 2009 Jordan II International Organ Competition. Mr. Ryan's performances have been featured on the nationally syndicated radio programs *Pipedreams* and *With Heart and Voice*. Solo performance engagements have taken him to many prominent venues, festivals, and conventions throughout the United States and Europe. He holds degrees from the Cleveland Institute of Music and Eastman School of Music, as well as the revered Fellow (FAGO) and Choirmaster (ChM) certifications from the American Guild of Organists. Ryan serves as Director of Music & Organist at St. Michael and All Angels Episcopal Church in Dallas, Texas where his passions for conducting, performing and teaching combine with his love of sacred music at the country's second largest Episcopal church. He most recently served as Associate Director of Music within the music program of nine choirs at Christ Church (Episcopal) in Greenwich, Connecticut.